

*Washington, DC* - Congressman Maurice Hinchey, who sits on the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, today released the following statement regarding the award of an Air Force contract worth upwards of \$78.5 million to Lockheed Martin Information Systems & Global Services in Endicott, New York. The award is for an 18-month contract with initial funding of \$8.5 million that will continue a program that supports 100 jobs. The contract will allow Lockheed Martin to continue to provide the Air Force with an information systems database that facilitates sensitive information sharing for 1 million Air Force users.

"This contract award demonstrates the ability of the Lockheed Martin employees in Endicott to effectively deliver critical services to the United States military. With the potential to bring as much as \$78.5 million to this region over the next 18 months, this award will help sustain a program that currently employs 100 quality jobs in Endicott. In return, this program saves the Air Force and the taxpayers \$325 million annually by streamlining communication, payroll, combat equipment tracking and other functions across the Air Force. I am proud to have worked with the Air Force to ensure critical programs like this one are funded through the defense appropriations process."